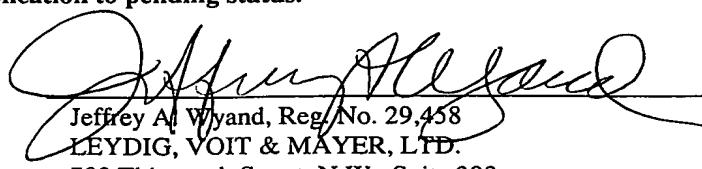


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371 AND 37 CFR 1.491		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 401612
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. 107088674	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP00/06632	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE September 27, 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	
TITLE OF INVENTION <u>WIRE ELECTRODE FOR WIRE ELECTRICAL DISCHARGE MACHINE</u>			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <u>AKIYOSHI, ET AL.</u>			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)). 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)). 11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF) b. Specification Sequence Listing on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Copy c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies <p>Items 12 to 19 below concern other document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Form PTO-1449 <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of Listed Documents 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet Under 37 CFR 1.76 18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard 19. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 			

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<p>20. <input type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</p> <p>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</p> <p>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$1,040.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$890.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO, but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO..... \$740.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$710.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4)..... \$100.00</p>		CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT=		\$890.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the National fee or oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date		\$
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
Total Claims	6-20=	x \$ 18.00
Independent Claims	1- 3 =	x \$ 84.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)		+\$280.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS=		\$890.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.		\$
SUBTOTAL=		\$890.00
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet. \$40.00 per property		+ \$40.00
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED=		\$930.00
		Amount to be: refunded \$ charged: \$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.		
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.		
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.		
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.		
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:		
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Date: <u>March 21, 2002</u>		